## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

County Clerks' Annual Conference June 2013

## **SEA 243**

- · Amends IC 5-14-3-4,
- · Effective upon passage
- · Exception to disclosure
  - Home address, home phone, and emergency contact information for
    - · Emergency management worker
    - Public safety officer
    - Emergency medical responder
    - Advanced emergency medical technician

# SEA 518 and HEA 1157

- Amends IC 36-1.5-4-11
- Effective July 1, 2013
- Political subdivision reorganization
- Voters initiate by filing written petition with clerk
- Petition to include signature of petitioner, printed name, mailing address and date signed
- Transmitted to county voter registration office
- Clerk certify petition to the legislative body

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- Amends IC 6-1.1-20-3.6
- Effective July 1, 2013
- County auditor certifies finally approved public question to county election board
  - No later than noon 74 days before primary election
  - No later than noon Aug. 1 if to be placed on general election
- If special election to be held on the first Tuesday after first Monday in May or Nov. the county auditor certifies the finally approved public question to the county election board
  - No later than noon <u>74</u> days before May special election
- No later than noon Aug. 1 if to be placed on Nov special election
- May withdraw a controlled project from consideration on ballot not later than 63 days before the election

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- New section IC 6-1.1-20-0.5 Effective July 1, 2013
- Costs used in determining whether a project is a controlled project or if controlled project which process applies
  - Does not include expenditures paid from donations or other gifts
- Amended IC 6-1.1-20-3.1 and 3.5 Effective July 1, 2013
- The cost to determine whether or not a controlled project goes through the petition and remonstrance process or the petition for a referendum process
  - Now high school does not have separate category
  - \$10,000,000

## **SEA 519**

- Adds IC 3-14-1-17, Effective July 1, 2013
- Campaigning and public questions
- · Defines government employee
  - Includes employee of political subdivision
- Defines government employer
- Includes political subdivision
- Property
  - Equipment
  - Money
- May not be used in relation to election or public question
  - Exception as allowed under IC 6-1.1-20

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- Effective July 1, 2014
- · Affects various statutes
- For crimes committed prior to July 1, 2014
   A-D Felony
- For crimes committed after June 30, 2014
   Level 1-6 Felony

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- IC 33-23-16-23
- Effective July 1, 2013
- Fees for problem solving court services
- Court or clerk transfer to auditor within 30 days for deposit into the user fee fund

## HEA 1053 and HEA 1084

- HEA 1053 amends IC 33-37-5-23
- Effective July 1, 2013
- · Sexual assault victims assistance fee
- Increased to at least \$500 and not more than \$5,000
- HEA 1084 amends IC 33-37-4-4, IC 33-37-7-2 and adds IC 33-37-5-32
- Effective Upon passage (May 10, 2013)
- \$50 Mortgage foreclosure counseling and education fee
- Expires January 1, 2015

- Amends IC 33-37-5-21 and IC 33-37-7-2
- Effective July 1, 2013
- Increases automated record keeping fee from \$5 to \$7 except for
  - pretrial agreement under IC 33-39-1-8
  - deferral program agreement under IC 34-28-5-1
  - The fee remains at \$5
- Distributions remain at 100% sent semi-annually to the Auditor of State if
  - Operating under the state's automated judicial system
  - If collected as part of pretrial or deferral agreement
- Distribution semi-annually to the Auditor of State of \$5 for each \$7 if not operating under the state's automated judicial system \$2 into clerk's perpetuation fund

#### **HEA 1124**

- Amends IC 33-37-5-22
- Effective July 1, 2013
- · Late fee
- \$25
- Class D infractions or Class C infractions under IC 5-16-9-5 or IC 5-16-9-8

## **HEA 1333**

- Amends IC 33-32-2-9 and IC 36-2-7-19
- Effective July 1, 2013
- Officials training
- 40 hours of training after the individual is <u>elected</u> to office
- For each term
- Appointed individual to fill vacancy of clerk <u>may</u> take training courses
- Officials training fund is to supplement appropriations from county general fund

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- Repeals IC 35-38-5-5.5 Effective July 1, 2013
  Petition of a court to restrict disclosure of records related
- Adds IC 35-38-9
- Sealing and expunging conviction records
- Petition court to seal records
  No filing fee if court finds:
- - No conviction or juvenile adjudication or these were vacated on appeal or
  - No charges are pending
- Otherwise person pays filing fees required for filing a
- Clerk shall distribute as in the case of a civil action
- Person may not receive waiver or reduction of fees upon showing of indigency